GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4291
ANSWERED ON:21.08.2001
BORDER LAPSES
MAHBOOB ZAHEDI

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether for sudden armed intrusion by Bangladesh Rifles, the Government have since appointed a probe to fix responsibility on the BSF authorities, manning the border for lapses;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the findings thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a): No, Sir. In the face of unprovoked and unwarranted intrusion by the Bangladesh forces into the village ofPyrdiwah in the East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya along the India-Bangladesh border in April 2001, the BSF held its ground valiantly and acted in its best judgement. Therefore, there is no question of appointing a `probe` to fix responsibility on the BSF authoritiesmanning the India-Bangladesh border.

(b) & (c): Do not arise in view of the reply given above.